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Heppner Relative In Palestine Seeks Help Here

Grand Nephew City's Founder Writes; Peddler Law Passed.

Jewish evacuation of Germany under the Hitler regime touched Heppner again this week when Mayor Jeff Jones received a communication from Palestine signed by one Crist Heppner, avowed grand nephew of Henry Heppner, the city's godfather. About a year ago other relatives of the city's founder wrote to learn possibilities of locating here.

Press reports that the attempt to establish a New Jerusalem in Palestine for refugees from central Europe is failing to provide adequately for those seeking its refuge, seem verified by this communication, read at the council meeting Monday evening and ordered answered. Written in quite legible English script, though some mistakes may occur in transcribing some of the letters, it reads:

"Heife, 20th February, 1937,
Akibastrat 8.

"To the Municipality of Heppner,
U. S. A.

"Dear Sirs,

"The purpose of these lines is to inform you about the following:

"I am a direct grand nephew of your Mr. Henry Heppner, founder of your town, and would be very much obliged in getting your information whether there are some legats for such heirs.

"As I have been born in Germany and studied there till 'Hitler,' I live now in Palestine under circumstances very hard and difficult, as you are well aware of the fact that we have too many workers here and only small work I would be appreciated to know whether there is a chance for me either in getting some means from such a legat, or that would be much better for me, in having a position in U. S. A. through your help owing to my direct relationship to the founder of your town.

"Trusting to get your news here about soon, I remain, Dear Sirs,
"Yours faithfully,
"Crist Heppner.

"Crist Heppner,
Heife-Genla (Palestine)
Akibastrat 8.

"P. S. I would be pleased to receive an edition of your 'Heppner Gazette,' in order to know it for family interest."

A new peddler's ordinance also passed third reading at the council meeting. It provides that whenever an itinerant peddler of any nature enters upon private property without consent or invitation of the property holder, he is deemed to be trespassing, and is subject to arrest, with police directed to abate such nuisance. Maximum penalty is set at \$50 fine or imprisonment for not more than thirty days.

Frank Hayes, Pendleton engineer, reported he would be here last night with completed draft of the street paving project for making PWA application. A communication to Mayor Jones yesterday, however, postponed the time until tonight.

HURT IN ACCIDENT.

Dan Doherty was quite badly cut about the head when his pick-up hit the ditch and overturned about two miles below Lexington on the Oregon-Washington highway last Friday morning. Randall Collins, who was accompanying him to work at the Doherty ranch in the Sands, escaped injury. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Beckner brought Mr. Doherty to Heppner to be attended by a physician, and the pick-up was towed in by a local garage car.

Past Noble Grand club will hold an apron and food sale at Hughes' store, March 27th, beginning at 11.

CRASHING SOCIETY COMES TOMORROW

Junior Class Play Packed With Hilarity, Promise; Many Students in Roles.

"Crashing Society," hilarious three-act comedy, will be the annual play offering of the junior class at the gym-auditorium tomorrow (Friday) evening. The plot portrays the vain attempts to crash "society" by the "society-struck" wife of a small town farmer who has suddenly inherited a million dollars.

Adam Dunnigan, the hen-pecked husband, who has inherited the million dollars, is played by LaVerne Van Marer. Elsie Dunnigan, the wife with social aspirations, is played by Maxine McCurdy. The part of their daughter, Marguerite, who is a sophisticated college girl, is taken by Harriet Hager. The Dunnigans' youngest daughter, Christabel, who has poetic aspirations, is portrayed by Betty Bergevin. Adam's son, George, who is a "chip off of the old block," is acted by Scott McMurdo. Scruples-Scruples, the English butler, whose slowness in comprehension proves very exasperating to the Dunnigan household, particularly Adam, is played by Clayton Wright. The parts of Mr. and Mrs. Van Witherspoon, pseudo social lights, are taken by Vernon Knowles and Ruth Green, respectively. The Witherspoons' son, Cyril, who aspires for the hand of Marguerite, is played by Jackson Gilliam. Miss Agatha Mulrooney, the virtuoso with the terrible voice, is portrayed by Arlene Morton. The part of the society reporter of the newspaper, Miss Louise Miller, is taken by Irena McFerrin. A tutor, Miss Gadgett, is played by Gladys Casebeer.

The countless humorous situations which arise should prove highly delightful to the audience. Don't fail to see this laughter-filled performance. Admission is 15c for grade school students, 25c for high school students, and 35c for adults.

Lions Back Flood Survey; Talk Dinner

The club's indorsement of the engineer's recommendation to spend \$5000 for a survey of flood conditions on Willow creek looking to future flood control passed the Lions Monday, when the resolution prepared by S. E. Notson was read. Addressed to Representative Walter M. Pierce, it commended him for past efforts in behalf of the project and urged continued work for the appropriation now in sight.

Plans were announced as progressing well for the joint dinner with B. P. W. club the 24th, with announcement that Mr. and Mrs. Ted Roy, radio performers, would quite probably appear in the program, as well as present a public concert later that evening at the Star theater in connection with the regular show, and also that E. R. Fatland, state representative, was slated as the principal speaker.

The club expressed pleasure over an invitation to be dinner guests of the local CCC camp April 4, and gladly accepted. The camp is planning a day's celebration, with open house that day in recognition of the fourth anniversary of the CCC's inception, it was announced.

LIBRARY MEETING SET.

A special meeting of Heppner Library association will be held Friday afternoon, March 19, at 5 o'clock at the library. Officers to be elected are president, vice-president, and the appointment by the executive committee of a librarian to succeed Louise Becket, resigned. Everyone interested in the library is urged to attend.

WHEAT HITS NEW HIGH.

Coast wheat was quoted yesterday at \$1.19, No. 1 soft white basis, hitting the peak of any time in the last eight years, reported Cornett Green, local buyer, this morning. Little response is had so far to contract offers of around 90 cents a bushel.

Heppner Churches Plan Program For Holy Week

Palm Sunday to Easter Observance Set; Pulpits Exchanged.

Heppner churches are uniting in observance of Holy Week beginning Sunday. Union meetings will be held throughout the week in the different churches under auspices of the Council of Churches of Heppner. Pastors of the several churches and Wesley H. Banta, evangelist of the Pentecostal church, will preach on different evenings.

"Holy Week should be held free by all Christians for Christian observance," announces the council. "It should be a period of heart searching. It is the most blessed time of all the year to the believer. St. Paul said, 'If Christ be not risen from the dead then are all men most miserable.' The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the hope of Christianity."

Following is the order of services for the week, beginning with Palm Sunday and closing Easter night:

Palm Sunday evening, Episcopal church, Rev. Ralph V. Hinkle in charge.

Monday evening, M. E. church, Rev. Hinkle preaching.

Tuesday evening, Pentecostal church, Rev. E. D. Greeley in charge.

Wednesday evening, Methodist church, Alvin Kleinfeldt.

Thursday evening, Pentecostal church, Rev. Greeley in charge.

Friday evening, Christian church, Rev. R. C. Young.

Saturday evening, Pentecostal church, Rev. Greeley in charge.

Sunday evening, Christian church, religious dramas.

Following is a suggested prayer for Holy Week:

A PRAYER FOR QUIET TIME

O Holy Spirit of God—
Come into my heart and fill me:
I open the windows of my soul to let
Thee in.
I surrender my whole life to Thee:
Come and possess me, fill me with light
and truth.
I offer to Thee the one thing I really
possess,
My capacity for being filled by Thee.
Of myself I am an empty vessel.
Fill me so that I may live the life of
the Spirit.
The life of Truth and Goodness,
The life of Beauty and Love,
The life of Wisdom and Strength.
And guide me today in all things:
Guide me to the people I should meet
or help;
To the circumstances in which I can
best serve Thee;
Whether by my actions or my suffer-
ings.
But, above all, make Christ to be formed
in me.
That I may de throne myself in my
heart,
And make Him King:
So that He is in me, and I in Him,
Today and for ever. Amen.

St. Patrick's Day Enjoyed by Many

Shades of Old Erin, aided and abetted by a steady rain most of the day, predominated in Heppner yesterday, climaxed by a large public dance at the Elks hall in honor of Ireland's patron, Saint Patrick.

The entire community sensed the gala nature of the day and joined native Wearers of the Green in paying homage to the historic snake-eradicator of the Emerald Isle. Father James O'Reilly headed the committee staging the annual ball, with D. A. Wilson, J. J. Nys, John Kenny and Mrs. Henry Gorgor as assistants. The gala crowd last evening taxed capacity of the Elks hall, to enjoy music of The Columbians. Dainty cloth shamrocks supplanted the real emblem of the day for want of the natural product of Old Erin, but reflection of the spirit of St. Patrick in the hearts of his followers needed no substitute.

RAINFALL .75 INCH.

Precipitation since Monday, including .33 inch Monday night, had totalled .75 inch this morning, reported L. L. Gilliam, government weather observer.

PNEUMONIA TAKES O. E. JOHNSON

Pioneer Hardman Resident Suc- cumbs to Six-Day Illness at Home Here; Rites Today.

O. E. Johnson, pioneer of the county since 1883 and for years prominently identified with activities in the Hardman community, succumbed to a six-day attack of pneumonia at his home in this city Tuesday.

Funeral services are being held this afternoon beginning at 2 o'clock from the Christian church, Phelps Funeral home in charge and Alvin Kleinfeldt officiating minister. Interment is being made in Masonic cemetery beside his brother, the late N. M. Johnson, who was taken by the same malady shortly less than a year ago.

Born in McPherson, Kansas, October 25, 1875, to John and Katherine Johnson, Otto Emil came to Morrow county when eight years of age, and had since resided here. As a young man he entered farming and stock-raising on his own, and made a success of his ventures. He married Bertha Dean in 1905. To them was born a son, Victor, who with the widow survive. Also surviving are two grand daughters and three sisters, Mrs. Katherine Anderson, McPherson, Kansas; Mrs. Christina Anderson and Mrs. Hannah Lewis of Seattle, Wash. Mr. Johnson several years ago received his 25-year jewel from Doric lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Heppner.

Several years ago Mr. and Mrs. Johnson retired from the farm, and Mr. Johnson entered the garage and service station business at Hardman. Last fall the residence was removed to this city in what is known as the Gilman property on Chase street.

A week ago, Mr. Johnson appeared in good health and spirits, greeting his friends on the street in his customary genial manner, and the entire community was shocked by the suddenness of his demise. In his many years of labor in this county, Mr. Johnson was always looked upon with esteem. He took an active interest in those things for general community betterment, and while making a success of his own business was ever thoughtful of those about him. His departure leaves a void in many hearts, and the sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereft family.

Street Appearance By Band Saturday

The first of a number of scheduled appearances of the school band on Saturday afternoons will take place at 2 o'clock next Saturday.

The public concert will be opened in front of the courthouse, from where the band will move for numbers at each of the principal intersections on Main street, announces Harold W. Buhman, director. Those who signed pledges to assist the band will be called upon for collections while the concert is in progress.

The Heppner band placed first in the class D division at the state contest in Corvallis last year, and Heppner merchants who are sponsoring the Saturday afternoon appearances feel that the public will be accorded a very worth while treat by these scheduled Saturday afternoon concerts. Money pledged by business men and women will assist the band in attending the state contest again this year.

FASHION SHOW SET.

Morrow County Wool Growers auxiliary announces a fashion show at the Parish House beginning at 2 o'clock Saturday. Assisting in the sponsorship will be Mrs. Curran, Thomson Bros. and J. C. Penney Co. Spring dresses will be modeled. Tea and program, 25c. Hand-knitted dresses will also be modeled.

Willing Workers will hold a cooked food sale at Humphreys Drug store beginning at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Growers Organize To Fight Upping Of Freight Costs

Geary Tells Problem at Spokane; Johnson Stays With Work.

Increasing freight rates, said to be necessary by railroad and boat transportation companies to meet increased wage demands and shorter working hours of employees, threaten to add to the burden of Inland Empire wheat growers. This is the view of Arthur M. Geary, attorney for Farm Rate council, brought out at a meeting of empire wheat growers at Spokane, March 13, which launched an organization to combat the problem.

"Unfortunately wheat growers of the Inland Empire not only have to contend with increased freight rates that are threatened for the future, but must cope with freight rates that have already been advanced to wartime pinnacles," Geary asserted. "Recent increases have partially cut them off from needed markets in the east and southeast of the United States where their surplus wheat is now marketed. It is in the southeast and east that prices upon Inland Empire wheat are set. The price in the east and south—
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Graders Win Hoop Tourney at Arlington

The Heppner grade school basketball team, with three tournament wins to its credit, took championship honors in the district tournament held at Arlington last Friday and Saturday, annexing the title by virtue of its 29 to 12 victory over Arlington.

The "Colts" leaped the first hurdle by defeating Rufus 18-16, but were hard pressed.

Their first round victory put Heppner in the semi-finals, with The Dalles as the opponent. The Dalles "Pappooses" were unable to withstand Heppner's attack and fell by the wayside in a 27-14 defeat.

The "Colts" reached the finals by their victory over the lower Columbia river representatives, as did Arlington by their win over Umatilla. In the championship fray, Heppner stamped itself as the outstanding team and won in a walk, trouncing the Arlington "Goslings" 29-12.

Three local lads were chosen on the tournament all-star ten, these being Douglas Drake, center; Harry O'Donnell, guard, and Hugh Crawford, forward.

As an added laurel, the local team was presented a bronze trophy of which they may well be proud. The trophy is on display at Humphreys Drug company store.

Summary of the three Heppner games:

Heppner (18)	Rufus (16)
Crawford (4)f.....	(2) Coats
Vaughn (2)f.....	(3) Bryant
Drake (9)c.....	(9) McNab
O'Donnellg.....	Cross
Gilman (2)g.....	Lemaster

Substitutions: Heppner—Bennett (1), Osborne and Morton; Rufus—Huck and Thompson (2).
Heppner (27) The Dalles (14)
Crawford (6)f..... Cramer
Vaughn (6)f..... Wisner
Drake (12)c..... Majors
O'Donnellg..... (7) Franz
Gilman (2)g..... (3) Dick

Substitutions: Heppner—Bennett (1), Osborne, Farley; The Dalles—Holten.
Heppner (29) Arlington (12)
Crawford (6)f..... Bowman
Vaughn (10)f..... Strom
Drake (8)c..... Norris
O'Donnellg..... (10) Wetherell
Gilman (2)g..... (2) Sawyer

Substitutions: Heppner—Morton, Osborne, Bennett (3); Arlington—Clough, Ferris.
Referee of all games, Harry Cloniger, The Dalles.